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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 17 January 2012 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

This amendment changed 'the' to "The" for the first phrase in the preamble of dependent claims 2-8, 10-15, and 17-38.

	/Leslie Wong/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2164
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